AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A hardcoat agent composition which comprises:

a fluorine-containing polyether compound (A) having a perfluoropolyether unit, an urethane bond and at least two active energy ray reactive groups at each of both ends of the molecular chain including said perfluoropolyether unit; ~~and~~

and a curable compound (B) having equal to or more than two active energy ray polymerizing groups in the ~~molecule,~~ molecule; and

inorganic microparticles (C) with a mean particle diameter of 100nm or less,

wherein the fluorine-containing polyether compound (A) is contained in a range from 0.01 parts by weight or greater to 3 parts by weight or less in relation to 100 parts by weight of a nonvolatile part in the said composition, and

wherein the curable compound (B) contains 65 to 100 % by weight of a curable compound (Bt) having three or more active energy ray polymerizing groups in the molecule and 0 to 35 % by weight of a curable compound (Bd) having two active energy ray polymerizing groups in the molecule on the basis of the curable compound (B), and wherein the curable compound (B) contains no fluorine atoms.

Claims 2 - 3 (Canceled)

Claim 4 (Previously Presented): The hardcoat agent composition according to Claim 1, wherein the fluorine-containing polyether compound (A) has the number average molecular weight ranging from 500 or greater to 10,000 or less on the basis of polystyrene standard determined by GPC (Gel Permeation Chromatography).

Claim 5 (Canceled):

Claim 6 (Previously Presented): The hardcoat agent composition according to Claim 1, wherein the active energy ray reactive groups contained in the fluorine-containing polyether compound (A) are selected from the group consisting of an (meth)acryloyl group and vinyl group.

Claim 7 (Previously Presented): The hardcoat agent composition according to Claim 1, wherein the fluorine-containing polyether compound (A) is a compound in which (meth)acryloyl groups are introduced via urethane bond into a hydroxyl group of a fluorine-containing polyether compound having said hydroxyl group at each of the both ends of a perfluoropolyether unit.

Claim 8 (Canceled):

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): The hardcoat agent composition according to ~~Claim 8~~ Claim 1, wherein the inorganic microparticles (C) ranging from 5 parts by weight or greater to 500 parts by weight or less are contained in relation to 100 parts by weight of the curable compound (B).

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): The hardcoat agent composition according to ~~Claim 8~~ Claim 1, wherein the inorganic microparticles (C) are microparticles of metal or semi-metal oxide or microparticles of metal or semi-metal sulfide.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): The hardcoat agent composition according to ~~Claim 8~~ Claim 1, wherein the inorganic microparticles (C) are silica microparticles.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): The hardcoat agent composition according to ~~Claim 8~~ Claim 1, wherein the inorganic microparticles (C) are surface-modified by a hydrolyzable silane compound having an active energy ray reactive group.

Claim 13 (Withdrawn): A thing whose surface is given a hardcoat layer having a cured substance of the hardcoat agent composition according to Claim 1.

Claim 14 (Withdrawn): An optical information medium comprising:

a supporting substrate;

a film substance composed of single or multiple layers containing at least a recording layer or a reflecting layer on the supporting substrate; and

a hardcoat layer containing a cured substance of the hardcoat agent composition ~~of~~ according to Claim 1, formed on at least either a surface of the supporting substrate or a surface the film substance.

Claim 15 (Withdrawn): The optical information medium of Claim 14 wherein, regarding the surface of the supporting substrate and that of the film substance, a surface which is to be a light entering side is formed by the hardcoat layer.

Claim 16 (Withdrawn): An optical information medium having an information recording layer on the supporting substrate and a light transmitting layer on the information recording layer, and a hardcoat layer containing a cured substance of the hardcoat agent composition according to Claim 1 on the light transmitting layer.